

DISCLOSURE DIVISION

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- ☒ **WAIVER REQUEST**
☐ **ANSWER**
☐ **RECONSIDERATION REQUEST**
☐ **UNTIMELY**

DATE: 7/2/2021

DOCKET #:

Ashley Wimberley, Director
Disclosure Division



FILER INFORMATION

Name: Mr. Robert D. Stafford
Address: 39301 Hwy. 440, Franklinton, LA 70438-5757
Office/Position: Constable / Justice of the Peace Ward 9 / Washington
of Disclosures/Amendments Filed with Agency: 14
Years Covered: 2009-2019
Final Report: No

REPORT INFORMATION

Name of Report: Tier 3 Candidate Personal Financial Disclosure covering calendar year 2019
November 3, 2020 election
Report ID: PFD21001814
Original Due Date: 7/29/2020
NOD Received: 8/10/2020
NOD Signed by: Jana Stafford
PFD/Answer Due Date based on NOD: 8/19/2020
PFD/Answer Filed: 2/5/2021

LATE FEE INFORMATION

Amount of Late Fee: \$1500
Days late from receipt of NOD: 170
Total days late from initial due date: 191
Late Fee Order Received: 4/26/2021
Payment/Waiver Request Due Date: 5/16/2021
Waiver Request Received: 3/17/2021 and 5/7/2021

COMMENTS:

Mr. Stafford stated he did file his disclosure late and has no reason beside it slipped his mind with all the chaos of the 2020 Coronavirus Pandemic. He stated in all 15 years of serving as Constable, he has never missed a filing. He stated he made several unsuccessful attempts to fax the documents, but his personal fax machine was having major issues and his office was closed due to the pandemic.

This is Mr. Stafford first late fee assessment.

OTHER LATE FEE INFORMATION

Disclosure Statements:

- Other Outstanding Statements: No
- Other Outstanding Late Fees: No
- Prior Late Fees: No
- Reassessed Late Fees: No

Campaign Finance:

- Outstanding Late Fees: No
- Prior Late Fees: No

Constable Robert D. Stafford

Washington Parish—Ward 9

39301 Hwy 440

Franklinton, La. 70438

La Board of Ethics:

I am writing in reference to my late filing penalty and asking for a waiver of this fee. I am guilty, I don't have any excuse or paperwork to dispute the claim, only to say that in all the chaos created by the virus this past year this paperwork just slipped my mine completely. As a Constable in Washington Parish for the past 15 years while I may have been late on an occasion or two, I have never missed filing. As Constable I understand the importance of paperwork as it is a daily routine when assisting constituents here in my district. As Fire Chief in my area during Hurricane Katrina we had tons of paperwork to address and while it seemed endless at the time, we were, as a Department, able to wrap our heads around it all and get it done.

There are lots of factors that lead to my not filing but I won't make any excuses. I can only ask for the Board's consideration of a waiver or reduction in my penalty. I sincerely hope you will consider this request. Thank you for your time concerning this matter.

Robert D. Stafford 5/7/2021

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Cell 985-515-0634

March 17, 2021

To whom it may concern,

I am requesting a waiver of late charges for Financial Disclosure paperwork due to major problems with my Fax machine and my work office being closed during the pandemic. I made several attempts to fax paperwork but apparently all failed. Going forward I will either mail my information or include it in an email with hopes of avoiding these problems. Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Robert Stafford 59-9

Robert Stafford

ETHICS BOARD REC'D
MAR 17 '21 AM 9:03

Ashley Wimberley

From: Robert Stafford <roberts@barriere.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 8:31 AM
To: Ashley Wimberley
Subject: Fwd: Message from "RNP002673400362"
Attachments: 202103170551.pdf

EXTERNAL EMAIL: Please do not click on links or attachments unless you know the content is safe.

Hope this comes through. Our company did an email migration Friday night and most of us are still having fits sending and receiving. Thanks for all your help.

Robert

Robert Stafford
Traffic Control Supervisor
Barriere Construction Co., L.L.C. — NSA
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Begin forwarded message:

From: franklinton-scanner@barriere.com
Date: March 17, 2021 at 8:26:36 AM CDT
To: Robert Stafford <roberts@barriere.com>
Subject: Message from "RNP002673400362"

This E-mail was sent from "RNP002673400362" (MP C3502).

Scan Date: 03.17.2021 05:51:14 (-0500)
Queries to: franklinton-scanner@barriere.com

Ashley Wimberley

From: Robert Stafford <roberts@barriere.com>
Sent: Friday, May 7, 2021 12:35 PM
To: Ashley Wimberley
Cc: Donna Bourgeois
Subject: La Board of Ethics response
Attachments: La. Board of Ethics doc_.pdf

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Please find my request to be reviewed by the Board of Ethics. Thank you for your consideration.

Robert

Robert Stafford

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